



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 5610

LCO No. 1962

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Referred to Committee on General Law

Introduced by:
(GL)

AN ACT REQUIRING LAST SALE DATES FOR RETAIL FOOD PRODUCTS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective January 1, 2009*) (a) Each person, handler,
2 firm or corporation shall clearly mark each container or package of
3 food offered for retail sale and intended for human consumption in the
4 state with a last sale date. The Commissioner of Consumer Protection
5 shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter
6 54 of the general statutes, establishing standards and criteria for label
7 type size, color and wording, including, but not limited to, a date in
8 calendar form including the day, month and year of the last sale date.
- 9 (b) Dairy foods required to be marked with a last sale date pursuant
10 to section 22-197b of the general statutes shall be exempt from the
11 provisions of this section.
- 12 (c) The Commissioner of Consumer Protection may impose a civil
13 penalty not exceeding five hundred dollars on any person, handler,
14 firm or corporation who violates subsection (a) of this section.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>January 1, 2009</i>	New section
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Statement of Purpose:

To require last sale dates on food sold at retail in the state.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]